

Notification
ARRA MONTHLY EMPLOYMENT REPORTS
Note: This Notification is only applicable for those projects/contracts funded with ARRA funds. If you have questions, please contact MDOT Contract Services Division at (517) 335-0071.

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA), requires states receiving stimulus funds for highway projects to provide monthly reports to the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) regarding the number of employees of the prime contractors, all-tier subcontractors and consultants on ARRA funded projects.

The cost for complying with this Notification must be borne by the prime contractor, and all-tiers of subcontractors and consultants, as part of their overhead and is deemed to be included in the payments made under this contract.

Within 10 days after the end of each month in which work is performed on this contract, all prime contractors and consultants must provide the Engineer a monthly report on MERS at <https://sso.state.mi.us/> providing employment information on each ARRA project, which will include, for work performed in that preceding month:

- The total number of employees who performed work on this contract.
- The total number of hours worked by employees who performed work on this contract.
- The total wages of employees who performed work on this contract.

Prime Consultants are responsible for reporting on all subconsultants' employment information in MERS, as the sub consultants will not have access to do so.

In addition, the prime contractor must provide a total payment amount made to any subcontractor who is a certified DBE in that preceding month.

This Notification shall be included as a part of each subcontract executed by the prime contractor, and all-tiers of subcontractors and consultants.

If necessary to conform to guidance provided by FHWA concerning the ARRA reporting requirements, the prime contractor, and all-tiers of subcontractors and consultants will revise their reporting as directed by the Engineer.

Failure to comply with the reporting requirements under ARRA would jeopardize the Department's continued receipt of ARRA funding.

Accordingly, if a contractor or any-tier of subcontractor or consultant fails to comply with this Notification, the Department may withhold contract payments until compliance is achieved. If the Department is compelled to incur costs because of such a breach, the amount of those costs may be deducted from payments otherwise to be made under this contract. Additional sanctions may include reduction or elimination of prequalification ratings and removal of bidding privileges.

NOTIFICATION
REQUIRED CONTRACT PROVISIONS TO IMPLEMENT AMERICAN
RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT (ARRA) SECTIONS 902 AND 1515

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In accordance with requirements under section 902 of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA), the following language is made a part of this contract and is to be made a part of all tier subcontracts or consultant contracts:

The U.S. Comptroller General and his representatives have the authority:

- (1) To examine any records of the contractor or any of its subcontractors, or any State or local agency administering such contract, that directly pertain to, and involve transactions relating to, the contract or subcontract; and
- (2) To interview any officer or employee of the contractor or any of its subcontractors, or of any State or local government agency administering the contract, regarding such transactions.

The Comptroller General and his representatives have the authority and rights provided under Section 902 of the ARRA with respect to this contract. As provided in section 902, nothing in section 902 shall be interpreted to limit or restrict in any way any existing authority of the Comptroller General.

In accordance with the requirements of section 1515(a) of the ARRA any representatives of the Inspector General have the authority:

- (1) To examine any records of the contractor or grantee, any of its subcontractors or sub-grantees, or any State or local agency administering such contract, that pertain to, and involve transactions relating to the contract, subcontract, grant, or sub-grant; and
- (2) To interview any officer or employee of the contractor, grantee, sub-grantee or agency regarding such transactions.

Nothing set forth in section 1515 of the ARRA shall be interpreted to limit or restrict in any way any existing authority of an inspector general.